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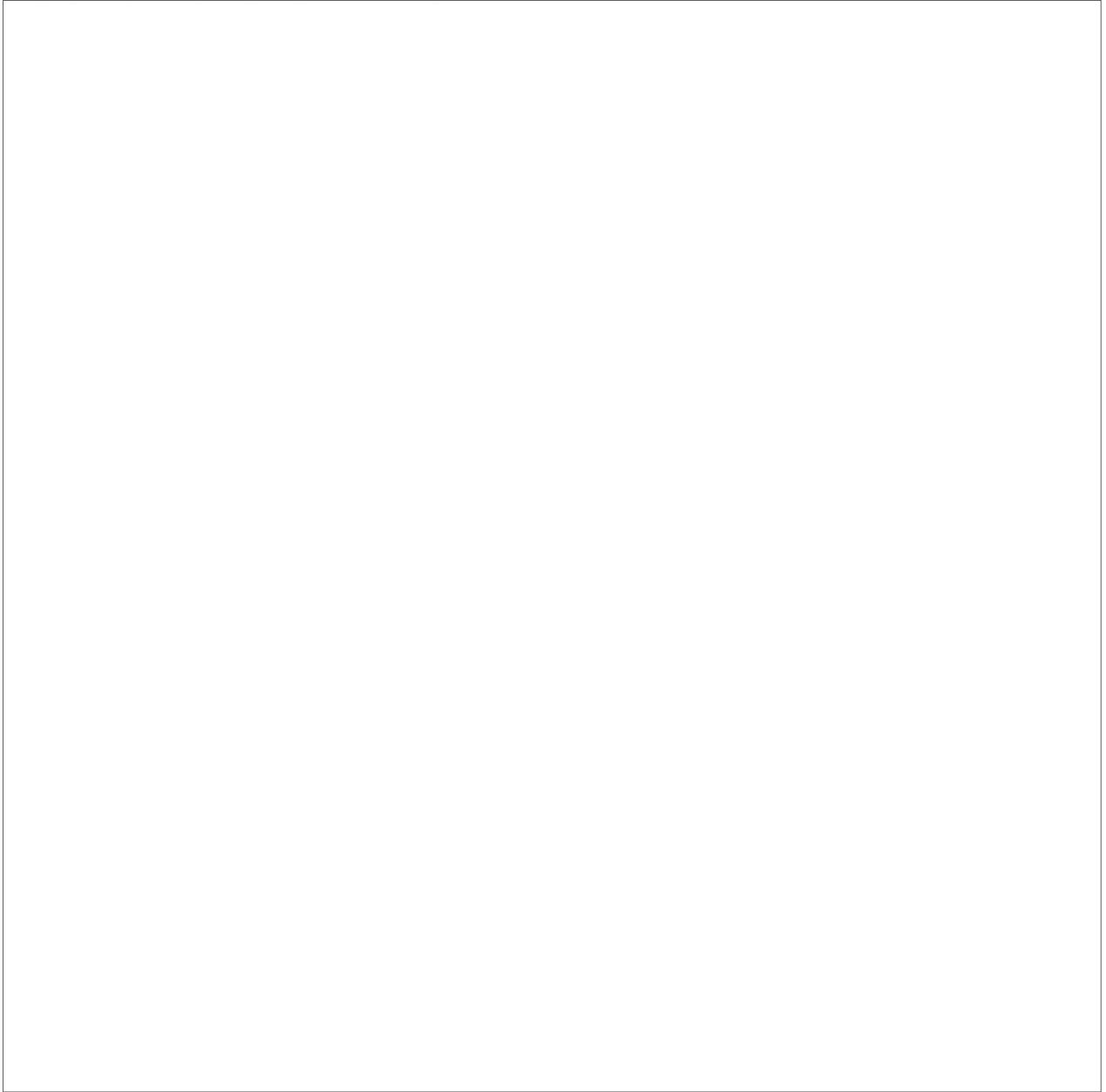
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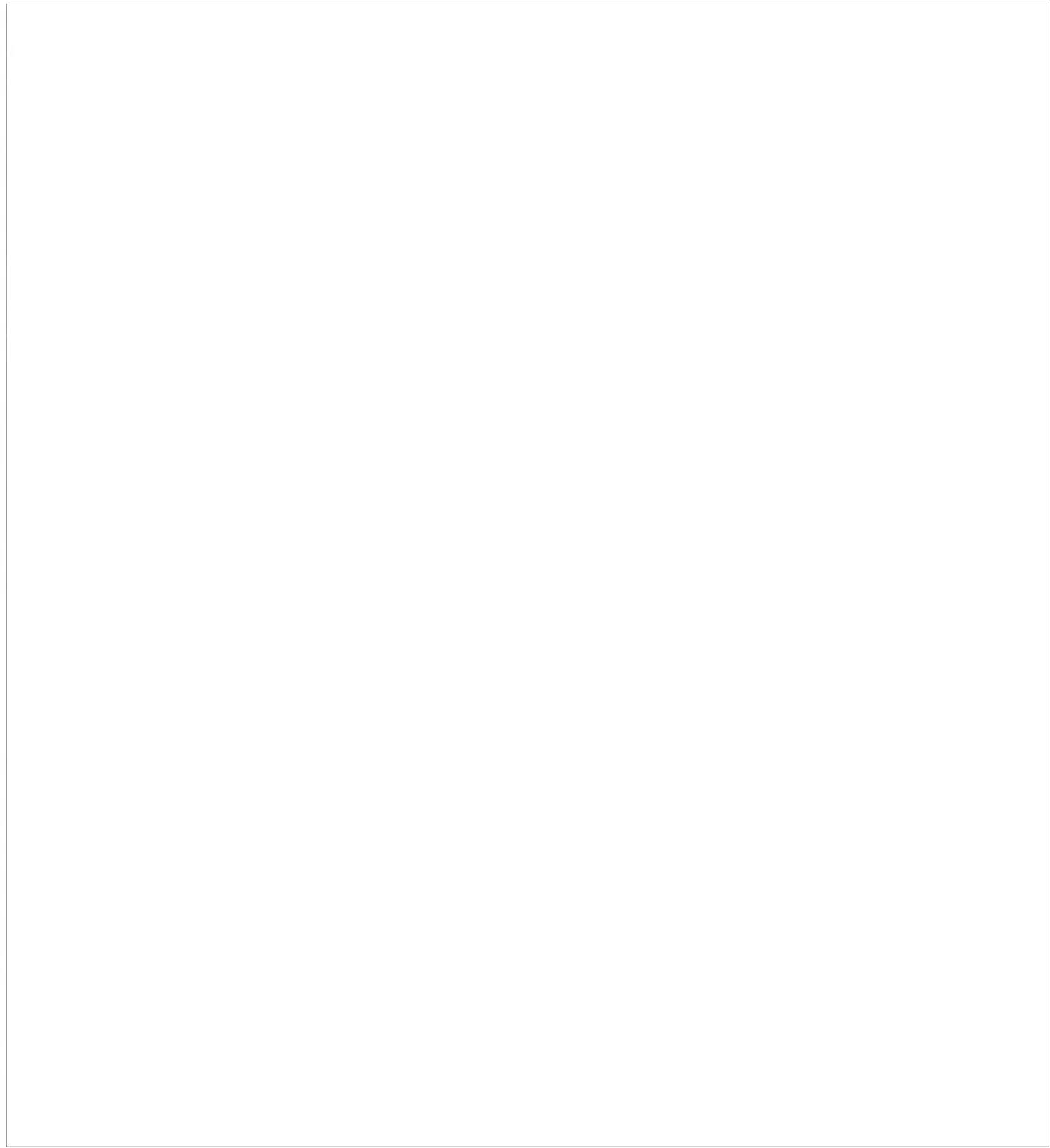
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- The majority of Liberian refugees and internally displaced persons—recalling the failure of the 13 previous cease-fires—probably will be reluctant to return home soon.
- Early elections are likely to compound the risks of increased instability because several of the warring factions have a small population base. [redacted]

Even if the political settlement holds, the need for international aid will remain high in 1996 due to the almost complete destruction of the country's physical and economic infrastructure.  
[redacted]

**Funding.** The United States and the EU are the largest aid donors to Liberia. [redacted]

**Most Recent UN Consolidated Appeal.** September 1995–August 1996: \$110 million; percent met: 5. (U)

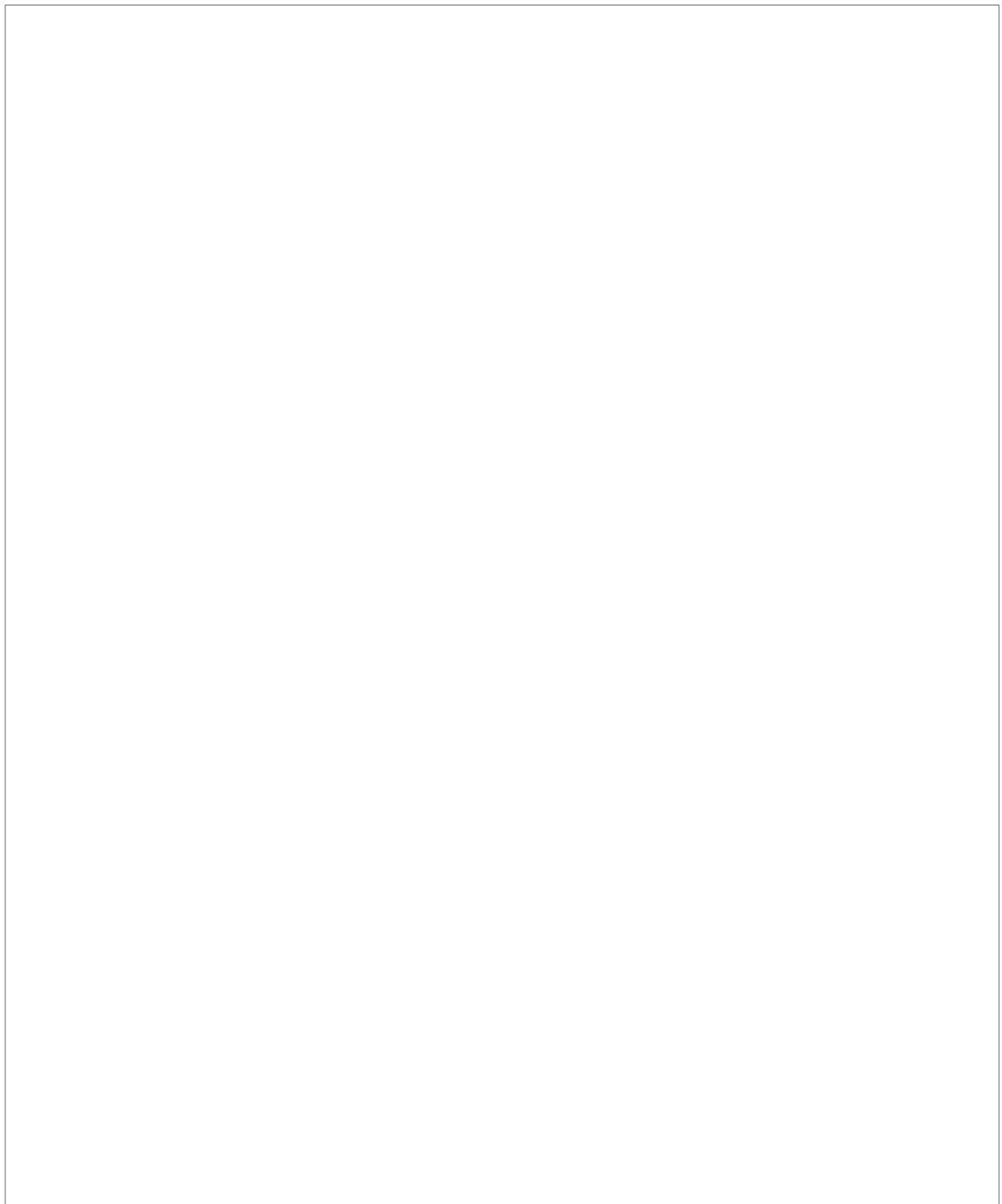
### **Liberia**

The August 1995 Abuja Accord, the latest settlement between warring ethnic factions, has eased somewhat the humanitarian crisis caused by a six-year-old conflict. The number of Liberians requiring humanitarian assistance—2.1 million in December 1994—has dropped to nearly 1.5 million. The relative lull in the fighting has enticed a few refugees to return from neighboring Guinea and Cote d'Ivoire. Relief agencies now are able to deliver aid throughout much of Liberia. [redacted]

**Outlook.** Although most faction leaders support the peace process, increased instability and banditry in the countryside could lead to a resumption of widespread fighting:

- Disarmament and demobilization have yet to begin.
- Scattered skirmishes among warring ethnic factions almost certainly will continue.

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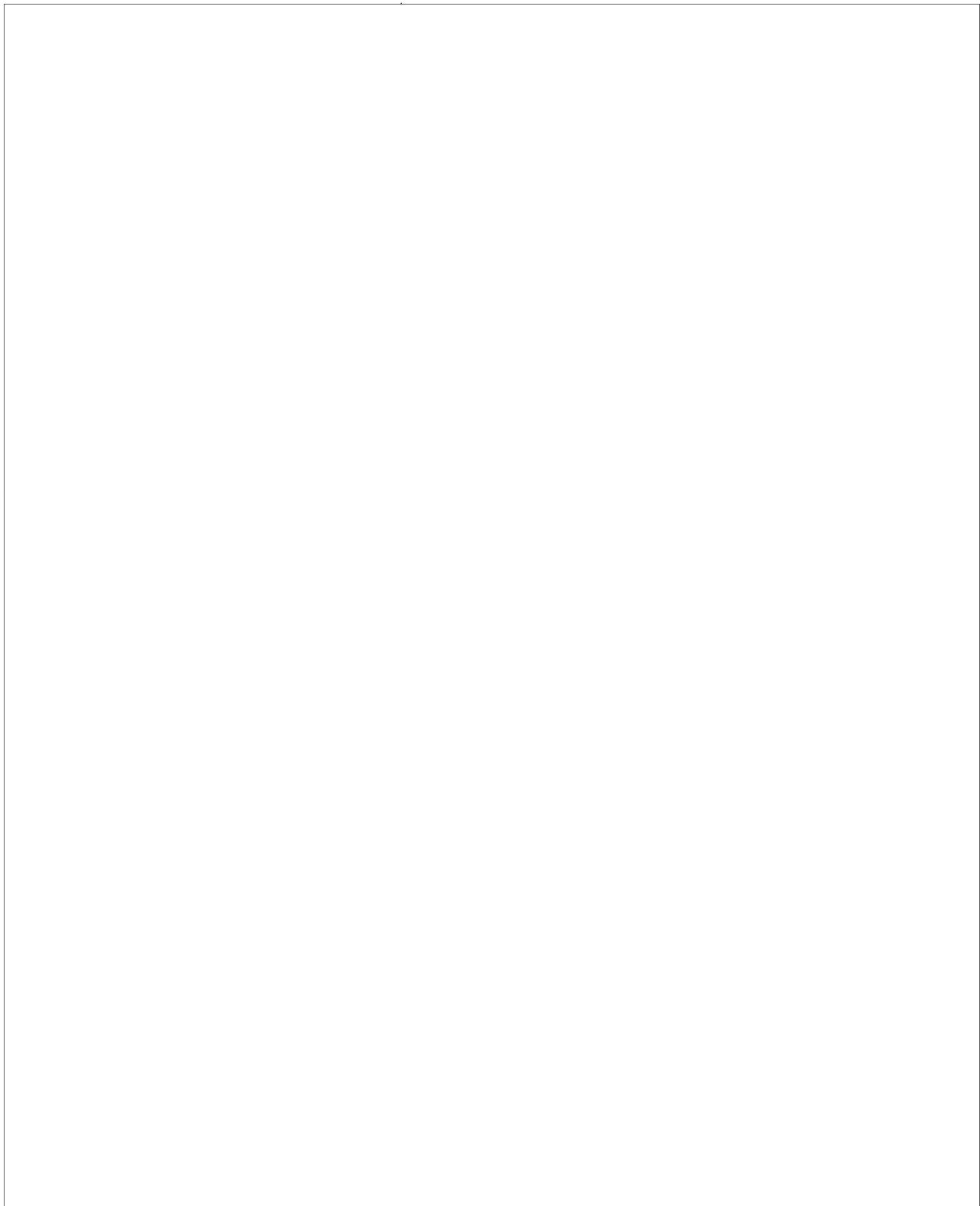


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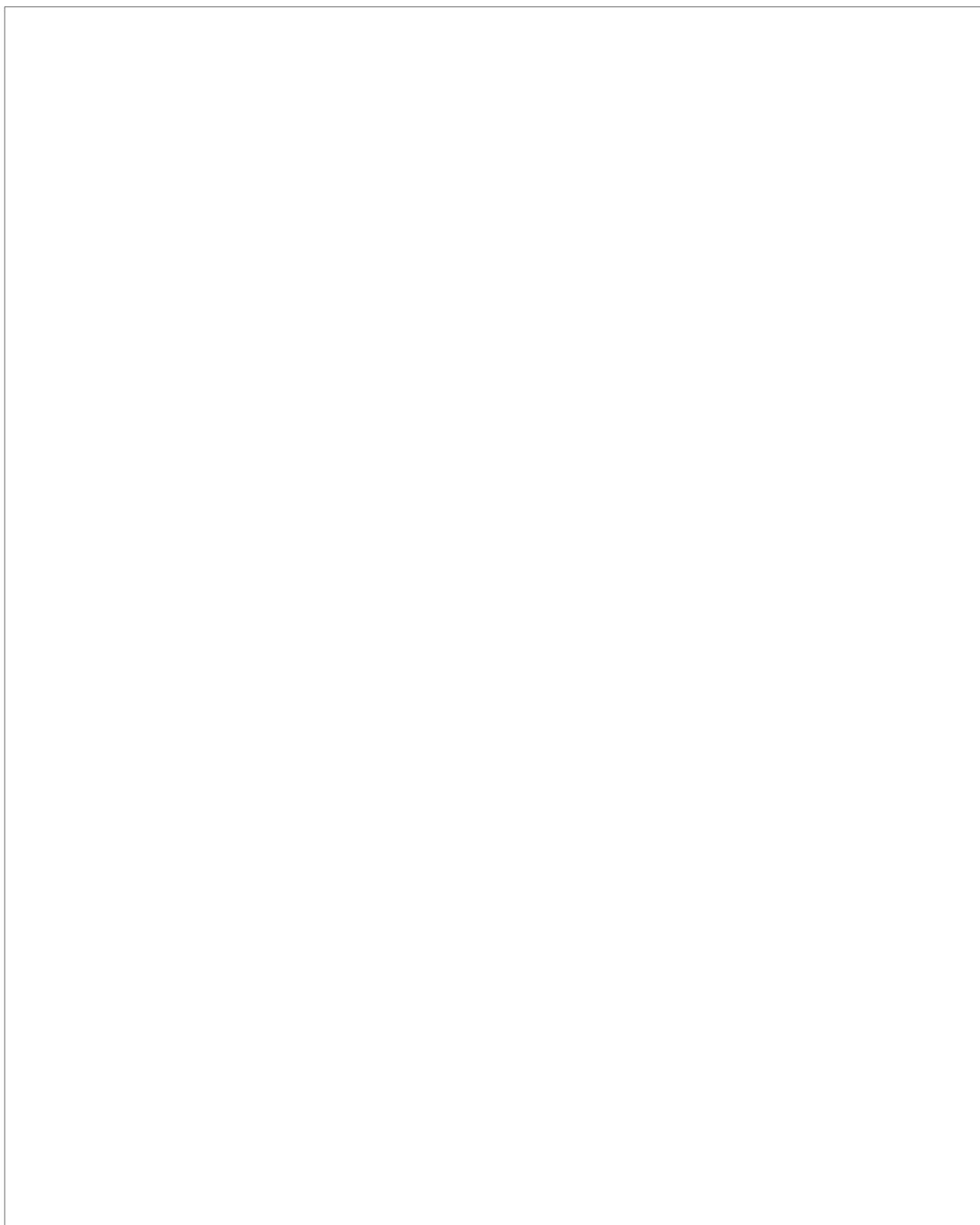
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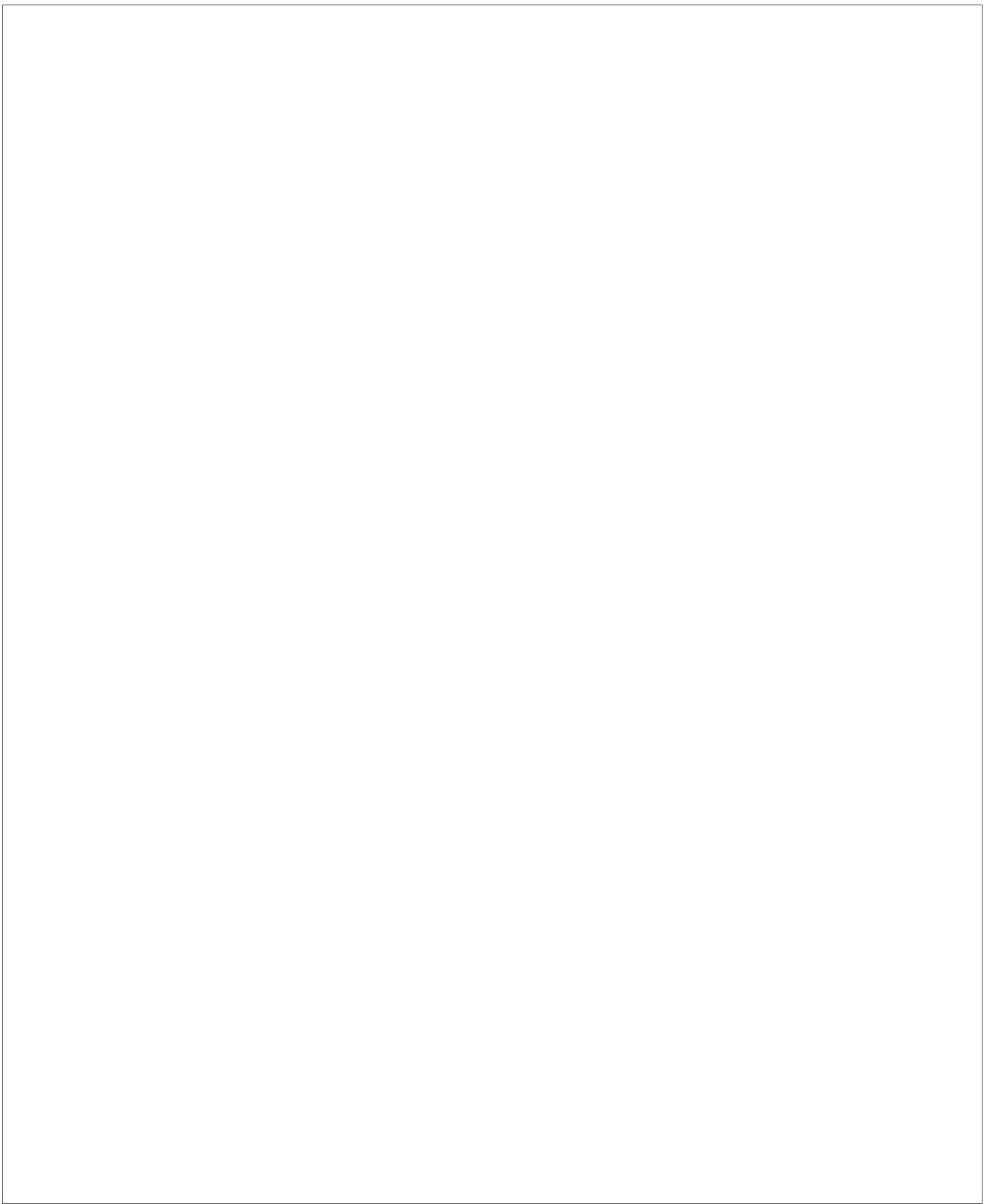
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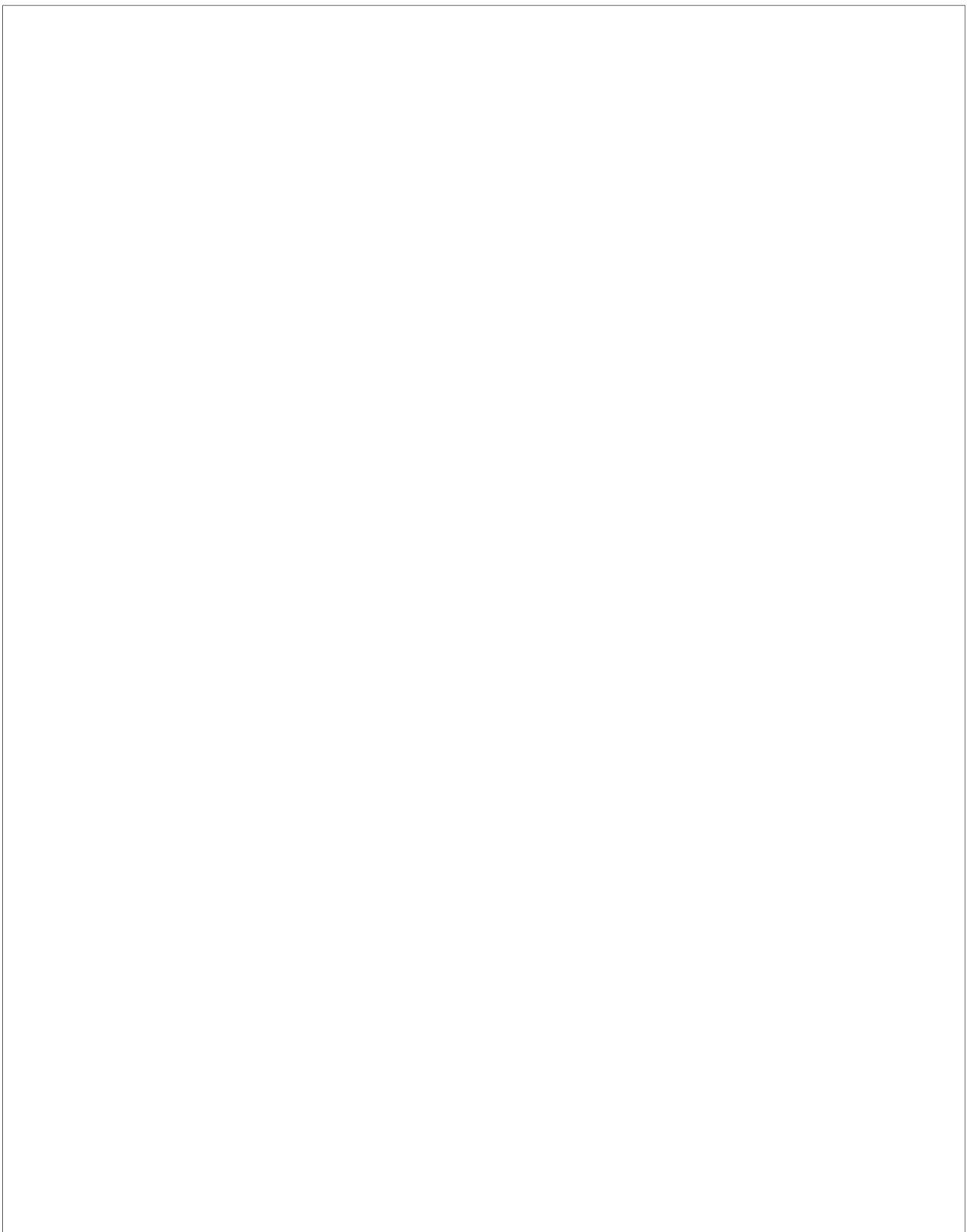


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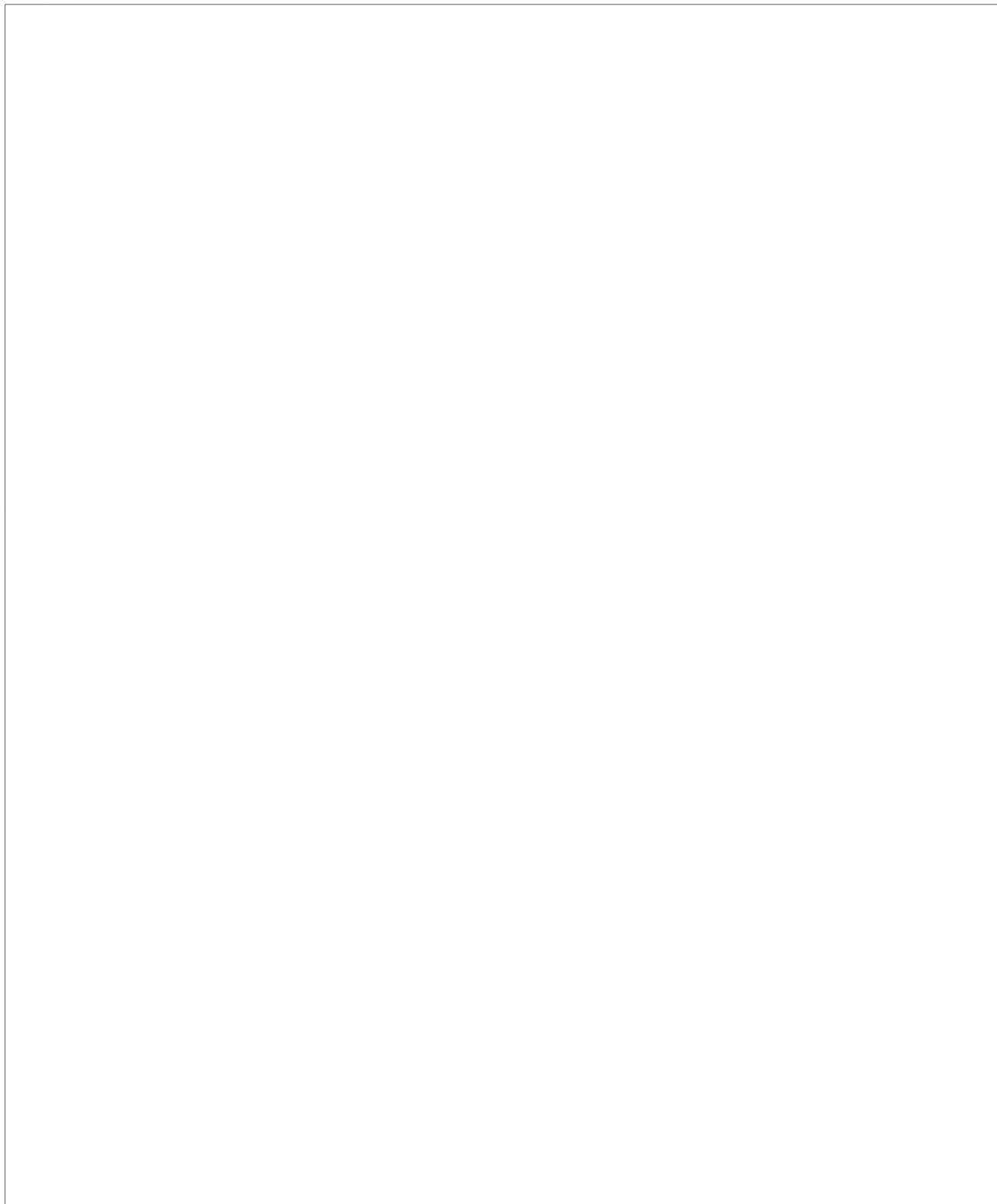


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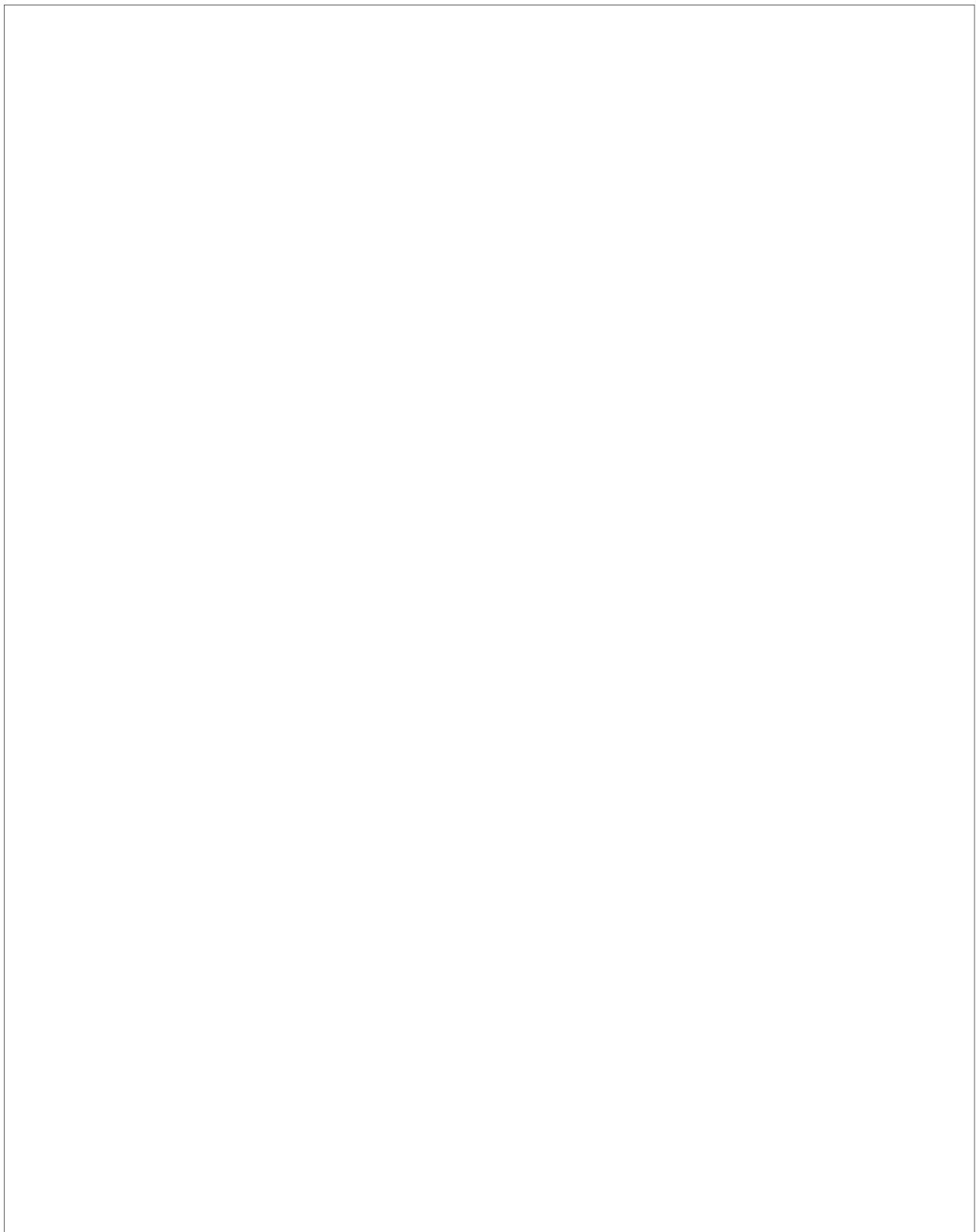


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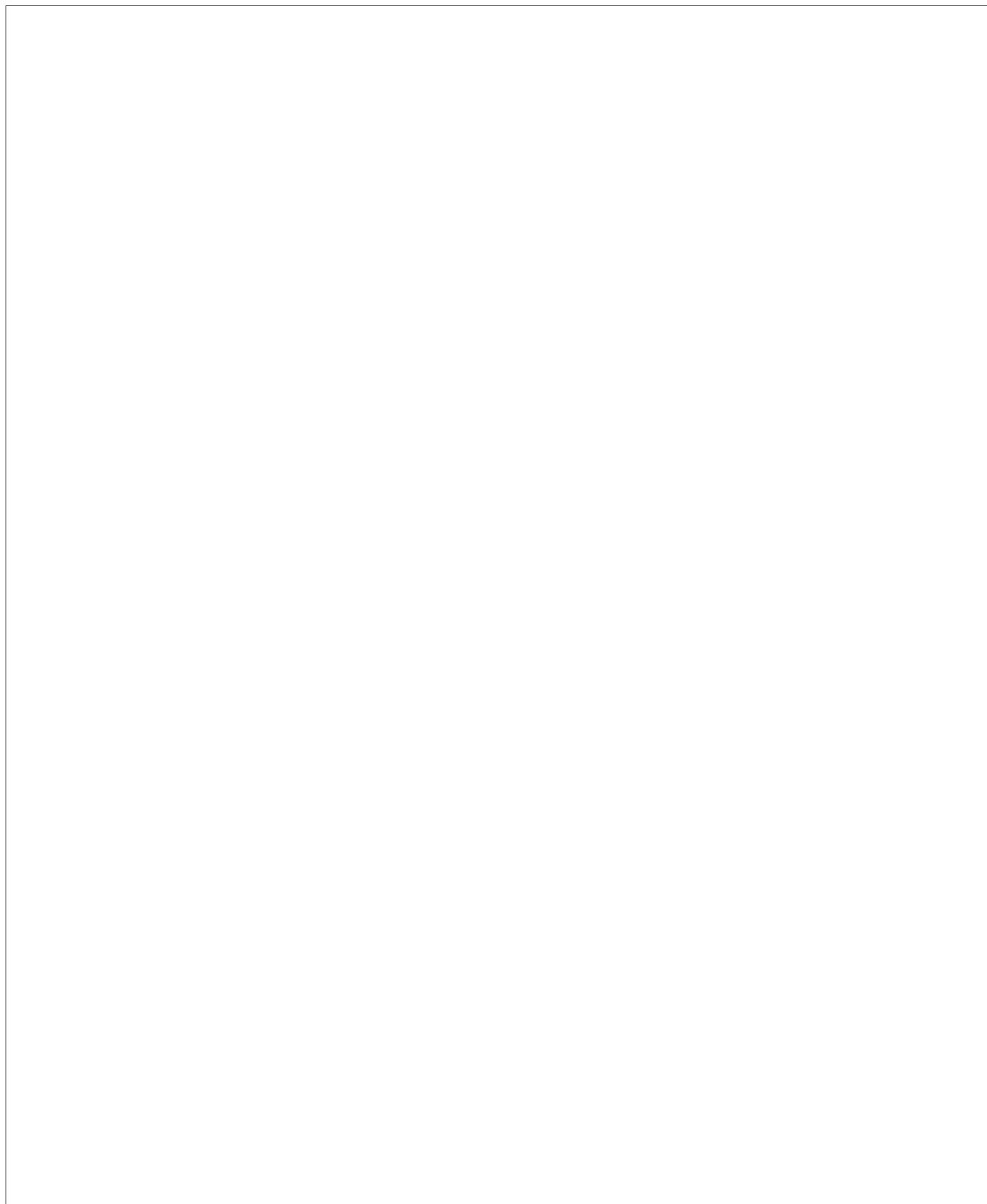


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